

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Columbia, South Carolina

January 8, 2003

The State Board of Education held its January meeting at nine o'clock, Wednesday morning, January 8, 2003, in the Basement Conference Room of the Rutledge State Office Building. The following State Board members were in attendance: Mr. Greg Killian, Chair; Dr. Mary E. Jones, Chair-Elect; Ms. Victoria Belin; Mr. Carlos A. Cervantes; Dr. Anne S. Crook; Mr. Clarence Dickert; Mrs. Brenda S. Fort; Mr. John H. Hostetler; Mr. Marion B. Lee, Jr.; Mr. James Mattos; Mrs. Gail Moss; Dr. Harriett L. Rucker; Mrs. Terrye C. Seckinger; Mrs. Rebecca Smith; Mr. Chris Verenes; and Mr. J. Spratt White. Also present was staff of the State Department of Education. *(Board member unable to attend was Kristin Maguire who was excused for her absence.)*

OPENING

Mr. J. Spratt White led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION OF THE GAVEL/OATH OF OFFICE

The Oath of Office was administered by Chair J. Spratt White to Mr. Greg Killian and Dr. Mary E. Jones.

"I do solemnly swear that I will uphold the duties and the laws of the State of South Carolina based on statutes governing operations of the South Carolina State Board of Education."

Former Chair White then presented the gavel to Chair Killian.

Former Chair White also presented Chair Killian with a key to the Governor's School for Arts and Humanities, which was given to him to be passed on the next Chair.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 11, 2002

Mr. McRae moved for the approval of the minutes of the December 11, 2002, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mattos and then approved by the Board.

APPROVAL OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA

Mrs. Fort moved for the approval of the agenda. The motion was seconded by Dr. Jones and approved by the Board.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS, INCLUDING NEWS MEDIA

Chair Killian welcomed the visitors present.

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AWARDS TO RETIRING BOARD MEMBER(S)

Chair Killian recognized Mr. James C. McRae, Fourth Judicial Circuit, and Mr. Bryan Keelin, Ninth Judicial Circuit. On behalf of the Board and the citizens of these Judicial Circuits, Chair Killian thanked Mr. McRae and Mr. Keelin for their service and presented them with a certificate.

RECOGNITION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS/OATH OF OFFICE

Chair Killian introduced new Board members, Mrs. Rebecca Smith of Jefferson, Fourth Judicial Circuit; and Mrs. Terrye C. Seckinger of Isle of Palms, Ninth Judicial Circuit.

Chair Killian administered the Oath of Office to Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Seckinger.

"I do solemnly swear that I am duly qualified according to the Constitution of this State, to exercise the duties of the office to which I have been appointed, and that I will to the best of my ability, discharge the duties thereof, and preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of this State and of the United States. So help me God."

STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION REPORT

RECOGNITION OF THE WINNERS OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE YOUTH PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIPS

On behalf of Superintendent Tenenbaum, Dr. Sandra Lindsay, Deputy Superintendent, Division of Curriculum Services and Assessment, presented the report. Dr. Lindsay introduced the South Carolina winners of the United States Senate Youth Program Scholarships, James (Jamie) R. McSpadden and Jonathan S. Tomberg. Jamie is a junior at Northwestern High School in York District Three. He was accompanied by his parents and his principal, Dr. William Gummerson. Jonathan is a senior at Stratford High School in Berkeley County. He was accompanied by his parents, his brother, and his superintendent, Dr. Chester Floyd.

Board member Mr. White presented an engraved trophy to Jamie and Board member Mrs. Seckinger presented an engraved trophy to Jonathan for their accomplishments.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public speakers for this meeting.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
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<p>Mr. Marion B. Lee, Chair Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee</p>
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<p>Mr. Clarence Dickert, Chair Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee</p>

<p>Mr. James G. Mattos, Chair Finance and Legislative Committee</p>

<p>Mr. Greg Killian, Chair Educational Policy Committee</p>

56. Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee—Mr. Marion B. Lee reported that the Teacher Recruitment, Training, and Certification Committee (*TRTC*) met on Tuesday, January 7, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for January 7, 2003—Mr. Lee reported that the agenda for the January 7, 2003, meeting was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of December 10, 2002, TRTC Committee Meeting—Mr. Lee reported that the minutes from the December 10, 2002, meeting were approved.

Other Business

Mr. Lee reported that the committee initiated policy discussions on the way committees are structured.

55. Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee—Mr. Clarence Dickert reported that the Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee met on Tuesday, January 7, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for January 7, 2003—Mr. Dickert reported that the agenda for January 7, 2003, was approved.

02. Approval of Minutes of December 10, 2002—Mr. Dickert reported that the minutes of the December 10, 2002, Curriculum and Instructional Materials Committee meeting were approved.

54. Finance and Legislative Committee—Mr. James Mattos reported that the Finance and Legislative Committee met on Tuesday, January 7, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for January 7, 2003—Mr. Mattos reported that the agenda for the January 7, 2003, meeting was approved.

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02. Approval of Minutes of December 10, 2002—Mr. Mattos reported that the minutes of the December 10, 2002, Finance and Legislative Committee meeting were approved.

Mr. Mattos reported that the following items were submitted for information:

- **Additional Assurance Forms for Meeting the Requirements to Employ Retired Individuals for School Year 2001–02**
- **Assurance Forms for Meeting the Requirements to Employ Retired Individuals for School Year 2002–03**
- **State Board of Education Financial Statements**

52. Educational Policy Committee—Mr. White reported that the Educational Policy Committee met on Tuesday, January 7, 2003.

01. Approval of Agenda for January 7, 2003—Mr. White reported that the agenda for the January 7, 2003, meeting was approved as presented.

02. Approval of Educational Policy Committee Minutes of November 12, 2002—Mr. White reported that the minutes for the November 12, 2002, Educational Policy Committee meeting were approved.

**REPORT OF STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION PUBLIC HEARING AND TEACHER
LICENSURE ISSUES OF JANUARY 7, 2003**

Chair Killian gave a report of the actions taken by the State Board of Education concerning the public hearing and teacher licensure issues in the State of South Carolina on Tuesday, January 7, 2003.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 7, 2003

Mr. Lee moved for the approval of the minutes of the January 7, 2003, meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. McRae and approved by the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Lee moved that the Board adjourn. Dr. Jones seconded the motion. There being no further business the Board adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

Chair

Secretary